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**(Case No. 01-1015)**

In re Application of: )  
Raman et al. ) **Group Art Unit: 2143**  
Serial No.: 10/004,116 ) **Examiner: Avellino, Joseph E.**  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 27, 2005 and is submitted as a Request for Continued Examination. Please enter the following remarks and  
10 amendments into the record for this application. In addition, a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a three (3) month extension, along with the requisite fee is also enclosed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

15 **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.